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Applicant(s): Makoto Kato

Serial No.: 10/032,913

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For: SIGNAL CODING METHOD, SIGNAL CODING APPARATUS, SIGNAL RECORDING MEDIUM, AND SIGNAL TRANSMISSION METHOD

Examiner: Shawn An

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below. This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional fee
Total claims	12	Minus	20 =	0 ×	\$18(9)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	4	Minus	4 =	0 ×	\$84(42)	= \$0.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0.00

 If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5. If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space. This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$280 (\$140) has been previously paid \_\_, or is paid herewith \_\_. This response is being filed within the \_\_ first month, \_\_ second month, \_\_ third month, \_\_ fourth month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor, and the fee of \_\_ \$110 (\$55), \_\_ \$410(\$205), \_\_ \$930(\$465), \_\_ \$1,450(\$725) for the requisite extension is paid herewith. A check in the amount of \$ \_\_ is attached. Charge \$ \_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320. Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG, LLP  
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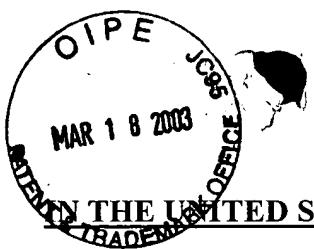
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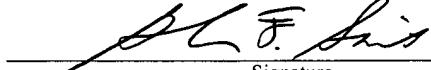
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2002, please consider the following remarks: